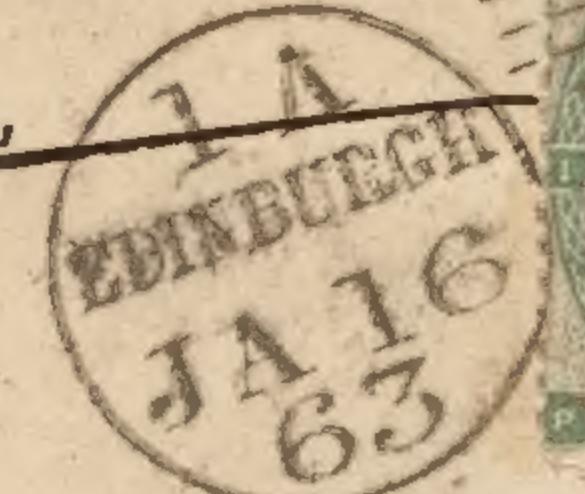
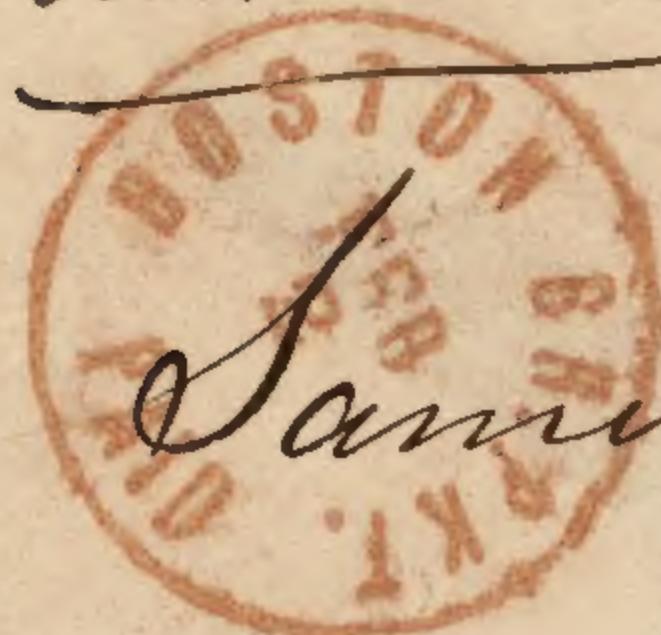


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very glad to embrace this annual opportunity of communication. so as to keep
up our acquaintance, which Scotland
do not wish to lose. The scatters in
your country are of such virtue indeed
that we are kept very close to you in
sympathy. Various watching & we easily
read the newspapers from week to week
& grieve over the terrible losses in battle
the young lives the young hopes & promise
all the broken hearts & isolated homes that
the losses involve. — It is dreadful to
contemplate even from far, what must be
to you! we sympathize with you very
affectionately. I often think it is cause for
joying we rejoice with you. The terrible
things in righteous up^s seem to have
stricken your nation & the contemplation
of this came to me very thoughtful that
the Slave is now recognized throughout the
Republic as having certain rights, the
withholding of which has brought down
the vengeance of the Almighty in such
calamities as have prevailed. I hope before
long the nation will see a little further,
liberty to the slaves will be granted, not
as a measure of self-preservation but as
a measure of justice & righteousness. In
the meantime we are glad to have the

President's Proclamation such as it is. We
hope it will work well for the slaves,
we are tremblingly anxious for the most
tidings. May God rule all! and avert the
sorrows that may possibly arise by the
slavery of the Southern Slaveholders!

I am very glad the President does not
use so many words ~~against~~^{against} Slaveholders
from the Proclamation, although it is
done virtually "at present", it does not
read so graphically as when the right to
hold slaves was plainly set down as
a privilege ~~to~~ of loyalty. - We are -
I am exceedingly grateful for the supplies
sent to Lancashire, with generosity & the
noble forbearance of the sufferers there
will do more to foster a right feeling
between our two countries than all
the red tape in the world. - and, my
dear friend, let us do all we can by
word & prayer & kindly thought to promote
the love & friendship between us; - we may
be of very little significance, but one
word added to another makes up a
public voice & it is very important to
have the public voice on the right
side - let us slink all feelings of
anger, whatever may have seemed
our provocation, & I trust we shall find

the blessing won if we are not able to
communicate it. - I hope our Lanc-
ashire district is a little abating & that much
good has come from the fearful exposé
we have had. If we had taken the
advice of J. Thornton Cotton for rearing
planterspists in 1836 & 7 & promoted the
cultivation of cotton in other parts of the
world we should not now have had
these sufferings & possibly the war in America
might have been avoided a commercial
woollen laundry been given for the aban-
donment of slavery long ago. - We have
of course a little more difficulty in
collecting money this year on account
of the Lancashire districts & so our little
donation to the general funds in respect
to the appeal is but small, but we send
it in token of our sympathy in your
hard & strenuous labours for the Slave. We
like to see the Slave's cause always upper-
most in the papers & in your stanchest
letters & addresses - we get troubled if slave
is taken up in vituperating England,
or in undue defence of the North.
W.M. Howe has sent us a long letter & while
he has made in it that is right & true,
we think we also can offer some reason
for not giving entire sympathy with the
North, for the policy of the North has not

been entirely Anti-Slavery - we do not
as a nation, at this distance see all
bearings of the onward movement - for
we sometimes ful flushed in Anti-Sla-^{buizing you you}
vory we read of slaves returned from
the steps of the Capitol at Washington
slaves returned to their masters even
within the last few weeks the right
bold slaves offered as a premium & by
the President saying that he would then
restore the Union with Slavery than
have it restored &c &c. & as the national
sympathy is crushed, & at the same
the Southern propagandists are very busi-
led away commercial & political in-
by suggesting all sorts of false issues
as we have something to say in self defense
although we must wretchedly admit
we have not done all we might have a
for the slaves: We are thankful for the free
men & women of Carolina & Virginia & we
casually hope there may be many more
very short time & that Emancipation will
onward till every yoke is broken. - Com-
mune till the arrantness of W. S. Burley of
Kentucky. - I have not heard of him for a long
time & I have a little money to send him
I hear from Mary Estlin frequently. She is
very strong this winter - confined often home
frequently with cold rheumatism. - Of Richard
I hear a good deal in Ireland. Poor man! he has

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We should be very glad to have some
copies of Mr. Child's "The right way, the safe
way". I do not recollect if we ever had
them before - but we should be much
obliged by thy sending them on the
first opportunity - Perhaps one or two
would come by post. I send £. 1. to pay for
them & any small expenses you may have
incurred for us. Wilt thou kindly say if
we owe anything else? I think I recollect
mentioning the balance we owed last year, but
if not, please tell me. We have had a year
of much & varied occupation & sometimes
neglect creeps in. if it has in that case, please

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excuse me. - Wishing that all may be
well with the & thine in this nth year
& ever year, ever on into Eternity - Again
remain thine affectionately E. William
my mother's name signed the organ of the
is used to mention it. -

You will see we have sent a little
for our subscriptions to the paper -
not know if we have calculated you
right -

Please acknowledge soon & be so kind
as tell me neatly what the Rail was
a friend is anxious to know as a matter of inform